



September 2009

Back to School with *CUIC*[®] Cohorts

It's September. Time to hit the books, learn something new and expand horizons. One of the better ways to do this is through our *CUIC* Cohorts - online classes guided by subject matter experts who help employees stay motivated and on track; they also pose and answer questions that relate to the course concepts and help employees apply them back on the job.

Cohorts are currently available for six *CUIC* courses; classes start in October and registration closes September 25. But, don't wait until the last minute - spaces are limited.

If someone is enrolled in the self-study option, you can switch them to the cohort if you feel they would benefit from this supportive learning environment. Just email your regional office, and ask them to switch your employee from self-study to the cohort option. There is an additional fee which includes facilitation, two written assignments and the marking of their participation in the online Collaboration Centre.

Here is a list of what's offered this Fall:

- CU00-185 *Products & Services*
- CU00-200 *The Credit Union System*
- CU01-210 *Consumer & Residential Mortgage Lending*
- CU00-240 *Fundamentals of Personal Financial Planning*
- CU01-345 *Commercial Lending*
- CU00-340 *Commercial Mortgage Lending (NEW!)*

Cohort participants are graded based on marks from a combination of their participation, assignments, and the final exam. If their combined marks total 60%, they pass the course. Space is limited. Act soon.

Important Dates 2009

Last day to register for Fall 2009 Cohorts: September 25

CUIC Exam Registration deadline: October 16

CUIC EXAM: November 18

New Website Coming This Fall!

A new season. A new look. This Fall, CUSOURCE Knowledge Network will unveil a new website, with a fresh look & feel and more user-friendly functions.

Some of the new features include region-specific sections with regional training and development announcements, spotlight on our partners, a guest LMS Catalogue login, and much more.

Watch for the official launch later this Fall!

Coming Soon...Our Annual *inTouch* Newsletter!

Our annual *inTouch* newsletter hits the stands this September. This issue will feature a follow-up article to the BRM Program, a spotlight on Credit Union Atlantic, a feature how to maximize your training dollars, *CUIC* tutorials online, as well as other articles.

Please share it with the rest of your staff and congratulate your newly accredited employees and Directors who are listed in the newsletter!

For more information about any of the items in *eNews*, contact your Regional Office.

Project Management Library - cost-effective learning for critical skills

Today, not everyone needs a project management certification, but is there anyone who doesn't need project management skills?

In partnership with SkillSoft, CUSOURCE Knowledge Network offers a cost-effective way to build project management (PM) capacity in your credit union. The Project Management Library on the LMS includes a wide array of courses that suit the needs of two groups: those who want certification and those who simply want to enhance their PM skills. The library also reflects recent changes from the [Project Management Institute](#).

New 4th edition of PMBOK Guide

Those changes include certification courses that align with the 4th edition of the PMBOK Guide (*A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge*).

New Layout

Click on the Project Management Library in the CUSOURCE[®] Catalogue and you'll see that the new layout includes:

1. **Professional Development Courses** that qualify for professional development units (PDUs), required by those with PM certifications.
2. **Roadmaps for 3 certifications:** Certified Associate in Project Management (CAPM[®]); Project Manager Professional (PMP[®]), and Program Manager Professional (PgMP[®]).
3. **Project Management Effectiveness:** non-certification courses for those who want to improve their project management skills.

An annual license fee for the PM library: \$149 p/p for access to both certification and non-certification courses, plus Monday to Friday, 9:00 - 5:00 mentoring. To find out more, visit www.cusource.ca.

Introducing September 2009 Power Hour Webinar Schedule

See the complete September Webinar Schedule right [here](#) or on News & Events on our [homepage](#).

Webinar Spotlight for Directors!

Introducing the *CUDA*[®] Program - Get on Board!

When: September 23, 6:00 pm (ET). 1 hour, free. Register by September 21.

Are you a new board director with lots of questions about your new role? There is help!
Are you a seasoned director searching for opportunities to strengthen corporate governance practices? We have information for you, too. We'll walk you through the *CUDA* Program, the national director accreditation and share numerous examples of what other credit unions are doing with regard to director development.

Special Webinar by RMA

Risk Management Association (RMA) Presents *eMentor*[®] - for everyone involved in Commercial Credit

September 16, 2:00 pm (ET). 1 hour, free. Register by 10 am the same day.

This webinar is a must-see for anyone who has anything to do with commercial credit. It will explain the products and features that together make up *eMentor* - a rich online information and development resource. As a CUSOURCE[®] subscriber, you have free access to this highly respected tool. To register for this free webinar or find out more information, see RMA website [here](#). Please note this webinar is hosted by RMA and not by CUSOURCE Knowledge Network.

To register in a *Power Hour* webinar, login to the [CUSOURCE[®] LMS](#). Click the green Catalogue icon > More (under By Topic) > Webinars. For more information on the webinars see the [Webinar Schedule](#).

Please note, all webinars are free with the exception of *CUDA* Exam Preps in October.